Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—May I know, Sir, how many magic lantern lectures were conducted this year?

Mr. K. Krishna Warriar.—I want notice. But I remember to have conducted one at Thiruvilwamala Exhibition.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Do the Government charge anything for this castration operation?

Mr. K. Krishna Warriar.—No.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—Apart from the one lecture is the Hon'ble Member aware of any lecture that has been conducted this year?

Mr. K. Krishna Warriar.—Yes.

Appointment of a Munsiff-Magistrate for Chittur.

222. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of cases filed in the last three years in the Munsiff's Court and the Magistrate's Court in Chittur;

(2) the extent of the file in the Cranganur Munsiff-Magistrate's Court;

(3) whether they would consider the feasibility of having a Munsiff-Magistrate alone in Chittur;

(4) if it is found feasible whether they would consider the necessity of appointing a senior Munsiff with a higher status and pay?

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—(1) and (2) Statements containing the information are appended *(Vide Appendix VII)*.

(3) The policy of amalgamation does not appeal to Government as desirable in the interests of efficiency.

(4) No answer is called for in view of the reply to subdivision (3).

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know, Sir, whether the Government concede that because of the amalgamation in Cranganur efficiency has decreased?

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—In Cranganur the amalgamation has been allowed to go on on account of the peculiar budgetary position of Cranganur and in consideration of the very restricted work available there.

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Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it not a bad policy to combine civil and criminal work in one person?

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government consider the desirability of appointing a Magistrate also in Cranganur?

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—I am afraid they cannot do so on account of the budgetary position of Cranganur.

Tax collected from non-Municipal areas by the Health Department.

223. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the items of tax by way of license fees being now collected or proposed to be collected by the Health Department from non-municipal areas;

(b) have not representations been made regarding the extreme hardship to be caused by licensing some of the articles especially arecanut?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(a) A list is appended *(Vide Appendix VIII)*.

(b) Yes.

T. A. allotted in the Revenue Department for the Chittur Taluk.

224. Mr. R. Viswanathan Chettiar,—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total amount allotted for T. A. in the Revenue Department for the Chittur Taluk;

(b) will the Government be pleased to place on the table a comparative statement of T. A. drawn by the Tahsildars of Chittur Taluk for the last five years;

(c) the average T. A. given to each Village in Nemmara Firkah for the last five years;

(d) if there is any difference, the cause for the same;

(e) (1) is it a fact that T. A. is not given for village staff of Nemmara Firkah for the last five or six months;

(2) if so, will the Government make immediate enquiry in the matter and redress their grievances?

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APPENDIX VII.

(Question No. 222)

Comparative statement of cases filed in the Magistrates' Courts of Chittur and Cranganur for the years 1108, 1109 and 1110.

	Chittur			Cranganur		
	1108	1109	1110	1108	1109	1110
Special 1st Class ...	9	11	4	16	22	36
Second Class ...	200	150	275	190	180	238
Third Class ...	...	84	...	...	...	...

Comparative statement of cases filed in the Munsiffs' Courts of Chittur and Cranganur for the years 1108, 1109 and 1110.

	Chittur			Cranganur		
	1108	1109	1110	1108	1109	1110
Original suits ...	629	677	502	613	586	572
Small cause suits ...	307	368	279	1009	857	653

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